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INTO HIS LARGE AND ELEGANT NEW QUARTERS.

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Wood, Marble, Coffins and Cases.

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**FULL CLOTH COVERED CASES OF SOLID WALNUT.**

For the use of the small white horse in the city, only \$5.00. We guarantee satisfaction, and to be fully satisfied, to receive a cash.

Sold at Southeast Corner of Main and Water Sts., Decatur, Illinois.

Night calls left at the New Decatur Hotel, or at our place of business, shall have our prompt attention.

**We have Just Received**

**BREECH AND MUZZLE-LOADING**

**SHOT-GUNS**

**AND**

**REVOLVERS**

Ever seen in Central Illinois, and being

**BOUGHT FOR CASH,**

We are enabled to retail them

**AT WHOLESALE PRICES**

We warrant Everything as Represented

CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK AND PRICES.

**KORSMEYER & O'NEILL.**

Prairie St., 2 doors East Post Office.  
March 2, 1881.—d&w

The Little Beggar's Button-hole Bouquet.

—BY G. D.

"I was on a bitter winter's day,  
I saw a strange pathetic sight;  
The streets were gloomy, cold, and gray,  
The air with falling snow was white.

A little ragged, shivering child,  
Want running through the cold and storm;  
He looked as if he never smiled—  
As if he never had been warm.

Suddenly, he slipped beneath his feet,  
A faint, but terrible thought;  
Trampled and wet with rain and sleet,  
Whithered and worthless, there he lay.

He bounded, seized it with delight,  
Stood still and shook it free from snow;  
Into his coat he jammed it tight—  
His eyes lit up with sudden glow.

He sauntered on, all puffed and proud,  
His face transformed in every line;  
And lo! the beggar's button-hole bouquet,  
Might chance to see that he was fine.

The man who turned the flowers away  
Never saw half such pleasure had;  
The flowers' best was done that day  
In cheering up that beggar lad.

Alas, how often we forget  
Happy in these good homes of ours,  
How many in the world are yet  
Glad to see the white of flowers!

**MRS. BRIGGS'S CLERK.**

—HARRINGTON, HARTING.

He was a tall, thin, starved-looking boy, with a little jacket, the sleeves of which crept half-way up to his arms, and a hat that was nothing but a brim, and when she saw him he was eating a crust out of the gutter.

She was only a poor woman, who kept a little shop for candy and trimmings, and worn enough herself, Heaven knows; but, said she, he looked a little like what her Tom might be if he had grown up and been neglected, and she couldn't stand it. She called him.

"Come here, sonny," said she; and the boy came.

Before she could speak again, he said:

"I don't do it. I'll take my own on anything I didn't do it. I ain't so mean."

"Didn't do what?" said the pleasant old woman.

"Break your window," said the boy, nodding his head toward a shattered pane.

"Why, I broke that myself, with my shunter, last night," said the old woman. "I'm not strong enough to lift you, that is the fact. I'm getting old."

"If I'm round here when you shut up, I'll do it for you," said the boy. "I'd just as soon. What was that you wanted me for?"

"I want to know what you were eating that dry old crust out of the gutter for?" was the reply.

"Hungry," said he; "I've tried to get a job all day. I'm going to sleep in an area over there, after it gets too dark for a policeman to see, and you can't have a good night's sleep without some supper, if it is a little dirty."

"I'll give you some that's cleaner," said the old woman.

"That will be begging," said he.

"No," said she, "you can sweep the store and pavement, and put up the shutters for it."

"Very well," said he. "Thankee then. If I sweep up first, I'll feel better."

Accordingly, she brought him a broom, and he did his work well.

Afterwards he ate his supper with a relish. That night he slept, not in an area, but under the old woman's counter.

He had told her his story. His name was Dick; he was twelve years old, and his father, whom he had never seen sober, was in prison for life.

The antecedents were not elevating, but the boy seemed good. The next morning the old woman engaged a clerk for the small establishment. The terms were simple: his "living and a bed under the counter."

When the neighbors heard of it, they were shocked. A street boy, whom no one knew. Did Mrs. Briggs really wish to be murdered in her bed? But Mrs. Briggs felt quite safe. She has so much time now that she was going to take in sewing.

Dick attended to the shop altogether. He kept it in fine order, and increased the business by introducing candies and chewing gum. Peaches came in as they never came before, since he had painted signs in red and black ink to the effect that the real old-fashioned candy was to be got there, and that this was the place for peaches.

And in the evening, after the shop was shut up, she began to take him into her confidence.

Her great dream was to buy herself into a home for the aged. It would cost her one hundred dollars. She was saving for it. She had saved three years and had fifteen dollars of it. But it cost so much to live, with tea twenty-five cents a quarter, and leaves so small, and she had been sick, and there was the doctor and Mrs. Jones' Maria Jane to be paid, for minding her and the shop. After this Dick took the greatest interest in the savings, and the winter months increased them as though he had brought a blessing.

One night in the spring she took the bag from under the pillow, and counted what it held. It was over thirty dollars.

"And I'll begin to make kites to-morrow," Mrs. Briggs, said the boy, "and you'll see the custom that it will bring. If a little shaver sees the kites he'll spend all he has for 'em, and then he'll coax his mother for more to buy the stick candy, dates, and chewing gum. I know boys."

"You're a clever boy yourself," said the old woman, and patted his hand.

It was a plumper hand than it had been when it picked the crust from the gutter, and he wore clean, whole garments, though they were very

old.

"How wrong the neighbors were," she said. "The boy is a comfort of my life."

So she went to bed with the treas-

ure under her pillow, and slept. Far on in the night she awakened. The room was utterly dark; there was not a ray of light—but she heard a step on the floor.

"Who is that?" she cried.

There was no answer, but she felt that some one was leaning over her bed, then a hand clasped her throat and held her down, and dragged out the bag of money, and she was released. Half suffocated, she for a moment found herself motionless and bewildered, conscious only of a draught of air from the open door, and some confused noises. Then she sprang to the door, and hurried into the shop.

"Dick! Dick!" she cried; "Dick! Dick! help! wake up! I'm robbed!"

But there was no answer; the door into the street was wide open, and by the moonlight that poured through it she saw, as she peered under the counter, that the boy was gone.

Gone! gone! Oh, that was worse to Granny Briggs than even the loss of the money; for she had trusted him, and he had deceived her. The neighbors were right; she was a fool to trust a strange street boy.

When the dawn had broken, the neighbors came into Granny's shop to find her crying and rocking to and fro, and they told her they had told her so, and she only shook her head. Life had lost its interest for her. Her "occupation was gone," but not with her savings. Money was but money, after all; he had come to be the only thing she loved, and Dick had robbed her.

It was ten o'clock. Granny sat moaning by the kitchen hearth. Good-natured Mrs. Jones was "seeing to things" and trying to cheer her; when suddenly there came a rap at the door, and a policeman looked in.

"Mrs. Briggs?" he said.

"Here she is," said Mrs. Jones.

"Yes, I'm the wretched critter," said Mrs. Briggs.

"Some one wants to see you at headquarters," said the officer.

"There's a boy there, and some money," said Mrs. Briggs.

"Dick!" cried Mrs. Briggs. "Oh, I can't bear to look at him."

But Mrs. Jones had already tied on her bonnet and wrapped her in a shawl, and taken her on her arm.

"The wretch!" she said. "I'm so glad he's caught!"

And she led Mrs. Briggs along—poor Mrs. Briggs, who cried all the way, and cared nothing for the money. And soon they were at their destination. Then, not before, the policeman turned to the two women.

"It's pretty bad," he said. "They'll take him to the hospital in an hour. I suppose you are prepared for that. He's nearly beaten to death, you know."

"Did you beat him, you cruel wretch?" said Mrs. Briggs. "I wouldn't have had it done for half the money. Let him go with it, if it's any comfort to him."

"I beat him!" said the man. "Well, women have the stupidest heads. Why, if I hadn't got up when I did, he'd have been dead. He held the bag of money tight, and the thief was pummeling him with a loaded stick; and the pluck he had for a little shaver! I'll never see the like."

"You shouldn't take granny's money from her," says he. "If it's your money, old lady, he's given his life for it, for all I know."

"Oh, Dick! Dick! I knew you were good. I must have been crazy to doubt you," and then she wrung her hands and cried: "Oh, Dick, for just a paltry bit of money."

And so she knelt beside the pale face upon the pillow and kissed it, and called it tender names.

And Dick, never guessing her suspicions of him, whispered:

"I was so afraid he'd get off with it, if he killed me, Granny, and you in such high hopes last night."

He did not know what was meant by begging him to forgive her. It would have killed him if he had, for he was very near to death.

But Dick did not die. He got well at last, and came back to the little shop, and though Granny Briggs had her savings, she never went to the old ladies' home; for long before she died Dick was one of the most prosperous merchants in the city, and his handsome home was here, and she was very happy in it.

**THAT HACKING COUGH** can be quickly cured by Shiloh's Cure. We guarantee it. Sold by Henry Smith.

**WILL YOU SUFFER** with Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint? Shiloh's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you. Sold by Henry Smith.

**SLEEPLESS NIGHTS**, made miserable by that terrible cough, Shiloh's Cure is the remedy for you. Sold by Henry Smith.

**CATARH CURED**, health and sweet breath secured by Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy. Sold by Henry Smith.

For Lung Black, Spleen or Chest use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Price 25 cents. Sold by Henry Smith.

**SHILOH'S VITALIZER** is what you need for constipation, Loss of Appetite, Dizziness and all symptoms of Dyspepsia. Price 10 and 75 cents per bottle. Sold by Henry Smith.

**CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH** immediately relieved by Shiloh's Cure. Sold by Henry Smith. (Dose 2-dw)

**OVERCOATS** reduced to less than cost of manufacture at Cheap Charley's. Jan. 12-d&w

**SHRELLBARGER'S Patent Process Flour** retains all the nourishment contained in the wheat. None of its virtues are wasted. Try it. Dec 8-d&w

## A HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO ALL THE

Friends, Patrons and Public at Large.

—FROM—

### B. STINE,

#### THE "BOSS" CLOTHIER.

### May you all Live long and Prosper!

With sincere thanks for the most liberal patronage bestowed upon us in the past year, we shall endeavor to merit your patronage in the future as in the past.

We remain, yours, truly,

### B. STINE,

#### THE "BOSS" CLOTHIER.

Jan. 2, 1882.—d&w

**MR. PATTERSON MEANT WHAT HE SAID.**

The following tribute to a well known and meritorious preparation will be read with pleasure by all who are suffering from pulmonary complaints themselves, or have friends so afflicted:

I hereby certify that my boy, ten years of age, was taken sick with typhoid fever, followed by congestion of the lungs. Dr. Dyer, an eminent physician of this place, stated that he thought the boy would run down with QUICK CONSUMPTION. A Mr. Patterson told me that COE'S COUGH BALM was curing similar cases, and advised me to purchase it. When I carried it home, my wife begged me to try it. I did so, and to my surprise, after using it a few days, the boy was cured, and is now as healthy as ever.

LYMAN DULMAN,  
Huntington, Conn., Aug. 29, 1880.

**HE SUFFERED FOR 25 YEARS**

Gulford, Conn., May 15, 1880.

For thirty-five years I have been the victim of that terrible disease, dyspepsia, have consulted eminent physicians, and tried almost every remedy. My family physician finally told me that I was incurable. I then purchased COE'S DYSPEPSIA CURE, and to my surprise, after using it a few days, the disease was cured, and I am now as healthy as ever.

G. H. RICHARDSON,  
Gulford, Conn., May 15, 1880.

During a confinement of seven months in City Prison, I was attacked with dyspepsia, and it was worse than I have ever experienced. For two years I have suffered with it. I tried doctors, great many medicines, but without relief. This spring I became so debilitated as to be unable to work. I then purchased COE'S DYSPEPSIA CURE, and to my surprise, after using it a few days, the disease was cured, and I am now as healthy as ever.

F. T. GILMILAN,  
Late Capt. U. S. A.,  
Detroit, June 2, 1881.

I would like to add one more testimonial to your list. I have been a victim of dyspepsia for the past five years, have tried a great many remedies, and had relief only in COE'S DYSPEPSIA CURE.

For sale by Irwin & Priest.

**Scientific Advancement.**

Scientific advancement, it has been remarked, has been slower and less noticeable in the case of the sick and the treatment of disease than in any other department of human knowledge. The life of a patient is in too frequently a mere matter of accident or chance. Some great discoveries, however, have been made, and certain remedies are known and used with almost infallible curative results. Such a remedy is TARKING, where a deranged liver is involved, or where disease of the Bowels, Kidneys or Spleen prevail. Dr. A. J. Storer, Agent.

**NOW GET REAL BARGAINS.**

Closing Out Sale at Einstein's Emporium of Fashion.

The ladies of the city and county will be pleased to learn that Mrs. Einstein has decided to close out her full stock of fashionable millinery goods and notions at greatly reduced prices for cash, to make room for new purchases which will soon arrive. Now is the time to get desirable goods at actual cost. The entire stock must be closed out within 15 days, and those who come first will get the pick of the fine display. Everything has been marked down to bottom figures. Hats trimmed at the lowest living rates. If you want real bargains in the millinery line make no delay, but call at once at Mrs. Einstein's, No. 28 East Main street. Dec. 28-d&w

**The W. C. T. U. meets every Thursday** at 8 p. m., in their room over Mrs. Hamaker's store in Central Block. dtf

**"Haines"**

**IS THE**

**BEST**

**UPRIGHT**

**Piano-**

**Forte**

**IN THE WORLD!**

And has a greater range of tonal power than any other Upright Piano.

**Strictly First-Class**

Than all other Upright Pianos combined.

**The Famous**

**Western Cottage**

**ORGAN**

**Stands at the HEAD of**

**ALL REED ORGAN**

for its superior quality of TONE POWER, and DURABILITY. It is the only Organ made with the GUTHRIE and DAVIDSON HARMONIC ATTACHMENT.

Call and examine my instruments before placing your order.

**SPECIAL BARGAINS**

Will be offered during the Holidays.

**C. B. PRESCOTT,**

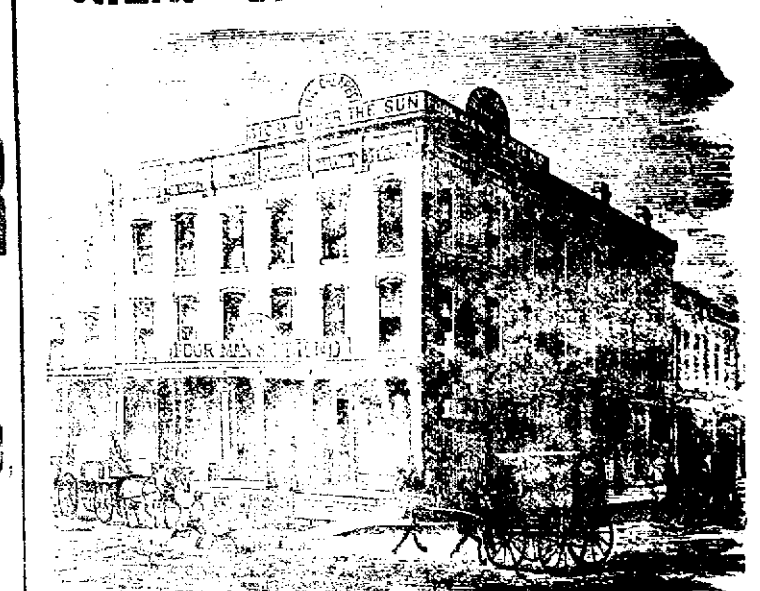
**53 OPERA BLOCK.**

Nov. 26, 1881.—d&w

**Diary Free** for 1882, with improved Interest Table, Calendar, etc. Sent to any address on receipt of two Three-cent stamps. Address CHAS. H. BIRDS, 45 N. Delaware St., Philadelphia.

**FUN** 1 pack Ward's Trick Cards, 1 pack Fun Cards, 1 pack Travel Post Cards, 1 Marvellous Outharnum, 100 Album Verses, all in neat case, for seven-cent stamp. Address B. G. CANN, 123 Western St.

## "CHEAP CHARLEY'S" CORNER.



## A Grand Reward!

For our share in this case, rest assured and satisfy our patrons.

**Is the General Acknowledgment**

That the Clothing of "CHEAP CHARLEY'S" MANUFACTURING, and which we have FOR SALE at our counters.

**IS WELL, STYLISH, AND DURABLY MADE,**

As they show more so than any number of friends. Our assortment of

**FALL AND WINTER OVERCOATS**

**ULSTERS AND ULSTERETTES,**

**SUITS FOR MAN, YOUTH, BOY OR CHILD,**

**IS GRAND AND ELEGANT.**

Remember that all goods purchased of us can be returned if they are not to the desired satisfaction, provided they are not sold. We return the money, as we treat our customers as equals. If that we are not satisfied, from 10 to 25 percent on the dollar, and besides give them the best quality for the least money.

Among the LARGEST ASSORTMENT of

**HATS, CAPS, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,**

THESE AND MILLINERY SPECIALTIES, Manufactured for us Exclusively, and Sold by us at our counters. If in want of goods call in our line, will do well to inspect the Large

**CHEAP CHARLEY'S**

**KAUFMANN & BACHRACH**

Manufacturers of

**MEN'S AND BOYS' Clothing!**

Dealers in

Goods for Men's Wear.

Cor. East Main & Water Sts.

**DECATUR.**

Factory—Chicago, Illinois

Dec. 1—d&w

**Freeman Bros.,**

**BOOTS & SHOES!**

No. 2 Merchant Street,

EAST SIDE OF SQUARE,

Invite the public to see their new goods before purchasing, which they will sell at as low prices as they can be sold anywhere.

**Satisfaction Guaranteed or Money Refunded**

Oct. 11, 1881.—d&w

**F. D. CALDWELL**

**SELLS**

**Decatur Coal!**

Also, the

**Best Grades of**

**HARD COAL.**

Orders left at the office with the American Express Company, three doors west of Postoffice, will receive prompt attention.

Nov. 27, 1881.—d&w

**P. PERL,**

**UNDERTAKER!**

Office—Northwest Corner of Old Square.

Residence—South Main St., Old Square.

THE PALACE HOTEL.

It is a rare privilege to have a funeral, and it is a privilege to have a funeral conducted with the same care and attention as the living. From the Christian church, the world's remedy for all diseases of the throat and lungs. Its long-continued series of wonderful cures in all climates has made it universally known as a safe and reliable agent to employ. Against ordinary colds, which are the forerunners of more serious disorders, it acts speedily and surely, always relieving suffering, and often saving life. The protection it affords, by its timely use in throat and chest disorders, makes it an invaluable remedy to be kept always on hand in every home. No person can afford to be without it, and those who have once used it never will. From their knowledge of its composition and operation, physicians use the CHERRY PECTORAL extensively in their practice, and clergymen recommend it. It is absolutely certain in its healing effects, and will always cure where cures are possible. For sale by all druggists.

**J. E. KINNEY**

**HAS FOR SALE:**







**WE ARE MAKING**

# SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS

To all who think of buying a Watch,

## EITHER SILVER OR GOLD!

**WE HANDLE**

### ONLY THE RELIABLE GOODS,

**AND THOSE WE CAN**

### ENTIRELY WARRANT.

We buy and sell by far the

## GREATEST NUMBER of WATCHES

of any one in this part of the State and feel sure we can save any one money on this class of goods as well as on the

## OTHER WARES

**IN OUR LINE**

Every one should see our **TRIPLE-PLATED** three-dollar **SILVER CASTERS**—they are worth **FIVE**.

**OTTO E. CURTIS & CO.,**  
LEADING RELIABLE JEWELERS.

# CARPETS

AND

# WALL-PAPER.

The first NEW PATTERNS for 1882 just received by

## ABEL & LOCKE.

# ALL RIGHT!

We unloaded a big lot of Merchandise the past week. Not much profit, but we gave our patrons lots of good bargains, which they appreciate—had rather do that than sit round and growl and grumble about the weather and the mud.

## THIS WEEK

you can buy good Prints, and all you want, at 3c, 4c and 5c, and the best Standard Calico made, in new and choice styles, at 6¢. Only think of it—16 yds. for \$1.

And now don't forget that every article in our store, up one side and down the other and through the middle, will be sold at a **GOOD, HONEST REDUCTION** from regular prices—say from 10 to 33 1-3 PER CENT. **DISCOUNT.** And, furthermore, on

## TUESDAY MORNING,

We will inaugurate the cheapest sale of Hamburg Embroideries on record; new importations—goods not out of Custom House 20 days—bought at a fearful discount, and will be sold at half regular prices until closed out.

It will pay to wade through the mud, or pay Railroad fare, to attend our sales this week.

Remember, No. 10 MERCHANT ST.

## S. G. HATCH & BRO.

# The Daily Republican.

TERMS.

For each, payable to Carriers, 15 Cts.  
One year, in advance, \$7.50  
Six Months, 3.50  
Three Months, 1.75

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 16, 1882.

BRONZE LAMPS and decorated shades at E. D. Bartholomew & Co's.  
SUNDAY was a gloomy day.  
No HALL shows this week.  
The Good Templars will meet to-night, as usual.  
SHERIFF FOSTER will take a batch of criminals to Joliet in a few days.  
PERFECT fitting boots at L. L. Ferriss & Co's double store.  
RELIGIOUS services at the First M. E. church every night this week.  
MANY Decatur children are being vaccinated every day.  
ANOTHER meeting of the county board Wednesday.  
TAKE a look at that mammoth stock of boots and shoes at L. L. Ferriss & Co's.  
HARMONYA Club masquerade—one week from to-morrow night. Going?  
THE pastors of the city held their regular monthly meeting this forenoon.  
NOTE change in S. G. Hatch & Bro's advertisement to-day. They have made important reductions in prices.  
CHAIRMAN BENN presided at the temperance meeting at the tabernacle Saturday evening. Several short speeches were delivered and there was good singing.  
TO-MORROW the trial of Rev. Hoffman will begin at Bloomington.  
SUPERIOR toilet goods and pure drugs at W. C. Armstrong's.  
THERE was a very small representation of Decatur's population at the minstrel show Saturday night, but those who were there say the entertainment was "hoss."  
ALL sorts of household novelties are on sale at Abel & Locke's.  
LEONARD bat masquerade Thursday night. A Peoria customer will supply outfits.  
CALL at Abel & Locke's and see their carpets before purchasing elsewhere.  
THERE will be religious services at the Christian church this evening.  
TWO celebrated Haines pianos—every one perfect in finish and tone—are on sale at C. B. Prescott's, in opera block.  
A TRAMP afflicted with the small-pox was found in a box car on the Chicago & Alton railway, near Springfield, on Saturday morning. He was removed to the Oak Ridge pest house.  
ORDERS for DECATUR NUT COAL, screened, promptly filled by R. McClelland. Telephone at Cole Bros' drug store. Jan 18-dit  
MAGGIE has a "Mahogany Cane Club" that is soon to start out on a serenading tour.  
CHICK Wisconsin butter at Young Bros'. Jan 13-dit  
FOR solid comfort during the muddy season smoke Schoeller's always good Bohemian cigars.  
Wool lined slippers for old ladies on sale at L. L. Ferriss & Co's.  
C. H. HARRY was the leader at the Y. M. C. A. meeting yesterday afternoon, and Will Glover presided as organist. The subject, "Our Dependence on Christ," was well presented by several speakers.  
ANOTHER light snow visited this section last night and this morning. Temperature, freezing.  
WILL you go to New Orleans over the Illinois Central road Feb. 9th. Fare for the round trip \$20, tickets good for thirty days.  
F. D. CALDWELL has plenty of Lucka, wanna Hard Coal—Chester No. 4, and stove. Office with American Express Co. Orders promptly filled. dec30dit  
DEALERS in sleighs are down-hearted. Not enough of the beautiful snow has fallen to create a boom in that line.  
NOT a particle of quinine in Carter's Liver Bitters, but they are particularly recommended to those who have long used quinine and felt its injurious effects. Sold by Hubbard & Swearingen. 10  
ANOTHER car of choice eastern apples received at Young Bros' today. Jan 13-dit  
OVER 600 employees of the Wabash in St. Louis are thrown out of work. "To reduce expenses" is the only reason given.  
EVERY evening this week there will be preaching by Rev. M. L. Laws at the Baptist church. You and your friends are cordially invited to attend.  
"THE DRESSER," the noblest and latest style hat, to be had only at B. STINE'S.  
THE Six Bros., not six but two brothers—have gone into business on North Water street. They will sell cigars, tobacco and confections.  
PERFECT FIT and satisfaction guaranteed by Fleury, the French Cutter, corner of Old Square. Prices lower than the lowest. Jan 14-dit  
THE Hicks Georgia Minstrel party were guests at the Drake House. They left for Litchfield, where they will sing, dance and kick high to-night.  
DO not buy before you see the stock and prices of Fleury, the French Cutter, corner of Old Square. You will save money. Jan 14-dit  
LOOK OUT for the Grand Special Excursion to New Orleans on the Illinois Central Railroad Thursday, Feb. 9th, at the low rate of \$30 for the round trip, good for thirty days. Jan 14-dit  
ASK your druggist for "Dr. Sykes' Sure Cure for Catarrh." Don't take any other. 11-dit  
THE rather prolonged trial of The People against Sarah J. McCullough, of Mt. Zion township, charged by Linna & Scruggs with forging James Connor's name to an order to the tune of \$24, terminated in Justice McGormy's court on Saturday evening last. The Justice deemed the testimony sufficiently binding to warrant him in holding the young woman to the May term of the circuit court, and the bond was fixed at \$200.  
STRICT ATTENTION, politeness always shown to patrons, no misrepresentations permitted at Cheap Charles's, the manufacturer of clothing exclusively for retail trade. Jan 12-dit  
A Few of Our Business Principles. Let fair dealing be the basis of each. Never urge a customer to buy what he don't want. If you buy low, sell accordingly and share your bargains with your patrons. CHEAP CHARLEY. Jan. 12-dit

**GOOD NEWS.**  
The \$14,000 Debt on the First M. E. Church Paid in Full To-day.

It is with the greatest pleasure that we announce to-day that the \$14,000 indebtedness that has been hanging over the First Methodist Episcopal Church in this city, was paid in full this afternoon. This indebtedness has been a great burden to the congregation for a number of years, and now that it is lifted, all members and the people generally will feel easier and more contented. The money was raised this afternoon, and by to-morrow it will be on its way to New York to take up the bonds that will be forwarded to Decatur on receipt of the cash. This big debt was wiped out through the persistent and continued effort of Rev. J. P. Dimmitt, the pastor, assisted by several active members of the congregation, who took the lead in making \$1,000 and \$500 payments. They have not only done a good thing for the large church, but also for Decatur. We congratulate the congregation on the full realization of their fondest hopes in wiping out this large debt, and join with them in their feelings of gladness.

Decatur coal is growing in popularity, and the demand for it from outside towns is growing in importance every week. Superintendent White informs us that he is now working fifty men in the mine and twenty on the outside. On the 12th inst. ten carloads of coal—or 220 tons—were taken out of the mine, the largest haul that has been made in one day since the mine was opened. The company is not supplying the Wabash with coal, but shipments by the railroad to dealers have been made to Harrisburg, Milmine, Sadorus, Ivesdale, Bement, Mansfield, and Cass; Emery and Maroa, on the Central road, and to all stations on the I. C. & S. road as far east as Chrisman.

SPEAKING of Vel E. Hurd, the alleged perjurer, now behind the bars in the Macon county jail awaiting trial, the Clinton Public says: "Ed. Hurd, the young man who swore falsely as to the age of his wife, has been indicted by the grand jury of Macon county for perjury. Mrs. Lucy Porter, the mother of the bride, and Mayor Graham were subpoenaed to attend court at Decatur to-day as witnesses against Hurd. It is unfortunate that this family trouble has to get into the courts. Much better had the girl been allowed to live with her husband." And the Public is about right in its closing remark.

POLICE. Two very plain drunks were ushered into the presence of Justice Albert this morning, and the confessed bunns looked sadly upon the snow on the tin roof as they were fined \$3 and costs each. "It is a hard winter," they thought as they dusted out their pockets and found not a copper therein. Both buns were recommitted to the darkness of the calaboose. One will pay his fine during the day, but the other is a stranger. He will join the chain gang, for such is the order of the court.

EMMA ABBOTT will sing in Decatur at the opera house on Saturday evening, January 28th. The troupe was to have appeared at Keokuk, Iowa, on that evening, but owing to the fact that the opera house at Keokuk has been closed, and as the Abbott company is to sing in Saint Louis during the week following the 28th, the troupe had to give Decatur that date or not come at all. Manager Himes used the wires for several days during the past week to induce Manager Pratt to give him the 27th, but it was no go. Abbott will be here without fail on the 28th.

BUSINESS was resumed in the circuit court this afternoon. The law points on behalf of the state, in opposition to the motion for a change of venue in the cases pending against Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, will be presented by Mr. Johns, who is fortified with about 500 affidavits made by citizens of this county. He made oath that they believe the defendant can secure a fair and impartial trial in each of the four cases in this county.

It is understood that Mr. Cassius Clark, Hon. John R. Elden's law partner at Sullivan, will sooner or later come to Decatur to reside. Mr. Clark has been the prosecuting attorney for Moultrie county, and is pretty well fixed financially. Should he locate here he will practice law and invest in city property. There is no foundation for the rumor that Mr. Elden will locate in Decatur.

CART. JOHN W. HARTLEY will participate in the old veterans' love feast entertainment at the tabernacle on Saturday evening, Jan. 28th. Preparations for this entertainment have been in progress for a number of weeks and many are anxious for the eventful evening to come. Capt. Hartley will bring the big drum and relate as many amusing and odd incidents of camp life as the next old vet.

MANAGER LAYNES has received notice on account of the illness of the star, to cancel John A. Stevens' date in Decatur. Mr. Stevens was booked to appear here on the night of Jan. 26th, in the "Passion Slave." The first attraction ahead will be "Only a Farmer's Daughter" combination on Tuesday evening, Jan. 24th, and after that date there will be a whole week of first-class attractions.

The first number of the *Sunday Blade* under the management of the new editor, C. R. Spore, appeared on Sunday. The *Blade* looks as bright as ever, but the dates are a little miscellaneous. This little objection will be overcome no doubt in the next issue, and everything will be in proper shape. Accept our best wishes, Mr. Spore.

SINCE the *United Meetings* were inaugurated at the United Brethren church under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Trueblood, there have been five accessions to the church, and the interest has increased nightly. The meetings will be continued through the present week. All are invited to attend. Preaching to-night.

The types made up in the church announcements on Saturday that Rev. M. L. Laws would take for his subject on Sunday morning "The Great Assassination," as it was written, and it should have been printed thus.

TWO four-year-old daughter of Peter Kureh, of Wheatland township, was buried in the Mt. Gilead grave yard Sunday afternoon.

An interesting article referring to the Public Library book fund will be found on the fourth page of this issue.

**NOTED BROOK.**  
Those Stolen Horses Recovered and in Possession of the Owners.

Marshal Hewes has returned from his official trip to Terre Haute in quest of the thief who recently stole two horses in this county—one from Frank Beall, and one from Milnard Russell. The marshal was accompanied to Terre Haute by Beall and Russell, who readily identified their property. Beall's \$150 horse having changed hands twice in that city. The thief, who is a stranger in this section, and whose name is known, but is withheld by Sheriff Foster and Marshal Hewes for prudent reasons, was found in the Vigo county jail, and the officers at Terre Haute would not permit him to be brought to Decatur without proper papers, as he is wanted in Indiana for horse stealing. The fellow turns out to be one of the slickest horse thieves in the country, and it is stated that no less than eight missing horses have been spirited away by him. The fellow is in a tight place now, and the evidence of his guilt is piling up against him mountain high. To-day Decatur officers will secure a requisition from Governor Callum for the arrest of the thief, and he will be brought to this city in due time. The Terre Haute officers would not forward the name of the thief as had been requested in repeated telegrams sent them, and the Marshal had to go there in person to get the name.

"Our Fourth."

The invitations to the fourth grand reception and ball of the Decatur Guards' Drum Corps, to be given at Guards' Armory on Thursday evening, Jan. 26th, were mailed this morning. The Corps intend making this soiree the fashionable event of the social season, and have exercised their usual good judgment in sending out the invites. It will be a toney affair, and we shall expect to see the floor thronged with a large company of dancers. The party will be given under the management of L. N. Martin, Jr., Frank Swearingen, Albert Miller, Robert W. Bivans, John S. Bixby, Silas Lowry, H. Gladden Gorin, Joseph Hughes, Major James Boyd, Charles A. Ewing, James H. Martin, Edward F. Henson, Geo. F. Bell, Harry Scanlan, Will J. Leiby, Jr., and Will G. Lewis. Prof. Goodman's orchestra. Grand march at 9 p. m. Tickets \$1 each, admitting "gentlemen and ladies."

The Minstrels.

The Hicks' troupe of Georgia minstrels—every man a darkey—appeared at the opera house Saturday evening before a fair audience, and agreeably surprised those present by giving a very good entertainment, though some of the jokes were rather ancient and pointless. The orchestral music was good, the choruses splendid, the singing by the basso, Mr. Brown, and by the Jubilee choir, excellent. The high-kicking feats were astonishing and won much applause. The troupe is a good one, and is worthy of liberal patronage.

The Cerro Gordo Cues.

We learn to-day from reliable sources that the small pox scare at Cerro Gordo has subsided materially, although there have been 13 cases of varioloid in the place. The dread disease, as near as it can be ascertained, was brought to the town by Clark Smith, son of Samuel Smith, who had lately returned home from Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona. Clark's sister Nettie caught the disease but she is now convalescent. The other parties who have had the varioloid are Bob Cox, Frank Jones, Wm. Long, Mr. and Mrs. John Long and three children. Samuel Smith and child and Dallas Dwell. Frank Jones is the last victim. He was taken to the pest house near Cerro Gordo Sunday night. Dr. Rejogle and Dr. Harsha are attending the cases. All public gatherings have been forbidden, and every effort possible is being made to check the progress of the disease.

Superior Penmanship.

On Saturday last our accomplished young friend, Mr. A. W. Woods, of Wheatland township, who is giving lessons in penmanship at the Grand Prairie and at the Elwin school houses, paid us a pleasant call. While in the office he showed us another sample of his skill with the pen. It is a beautiful certificate, in a handsome frame, copies of which will be given to his pupils who make the best improvement in writing. The letters are just like type, and the delicate ornamentations—all done with a pen—are very tastefully arranged. Mr. Woods is an artist in his line, and the pupils to whom he is giving lessons are to be congratulated on having such an excellent instructor.

Criminal Condo.

No less than a half dozen gas and gasoline lamps, in the 2nd ward, were extinguished during last night, much to the annoyance of the lamp-lighter who made the rounds after 12 o'clock. The jets were turned off either by persons burglariously inclined or by parties who did it "for fun." We are assured that the lamps were lighted at the usual hour early in the evening and that each is in good trim. If similar vandalism is perpetrated again, the guilty parties will be limited down and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

She Got Married.

A Newmar girl recently bantered her father to write his name on a piece of paper, telling him she believed he could write his name better than he could. He wrote his name on the corner of a paper. Afterwards she wrote an order to the county clerk above her father's signature, requesting that official to grant her a license to get married.

V. H. Parke's Feed Store.

He keeps baled hay, ear corn, oats, ground corn, ground oats, mill feed, etc.; has a large supply, the best quality, and delivers promptly. Prices as low as the business can be done for. Adjoining the tabernacle. Jan 13-dit

Lost.

In this city, somewhere between G. W. Downing's residence, on North Main street, and Beach & McClellan's store, on Sunday, a black cashmere shawl, which the finder will please leave at this office, and receive a suitable reward. Jan 14-dit

Weldon Coltrin is at Green Bay, Wis., sticking type, and Amos Baim, late of the *Sunday Blade*, is manipulating a rule in a printing office at the same place. The smiling face of Amos is missed in Decatur ball rooms.

We still show a handsome line of Clocks and Dolmans, black and colors, ladies', misses', and children's. We offer them at actual cost. CHEAP STORE. Big 19. 11-dit

**PERSONAL MENTION.**

Marshal Hewes is home from Terre Haute.

J. M. Wiswell was in St. Louis Saturday on business.

Frank Day, the Oakley merchant, was in the city Saturday.

Frank Goodman came up from Jacksonville Saturday. Was it an affair of the heart that brought him here?

Dr. J. L. Connelly, the Jersey cattle king of Harrisburg township, was a guest at the St. Nicholas to-day.

Harry Osborn departed for Des Moines, Iowa, this noon, where he will probably accept a lucrative position in the office of a railroad company.

The Misses May and Lottie Matlery, of St. Louis, are in the city, visiting Miss Lily Cornum.

Mrs. F. Lacey, of Springfield, Mo., is in the city, the guest of her friend, Miss Margie Walsh.

Will Grubbs, of the *Reverie*, we are pleased to state, is in better health, and will commence showing a *Fiber* again in a few days.

George Brown is home from a business trip to Chicago. He is having his establishment on East Eldorado street fixed up in great style this week.

S. F. Kendall, lately a peddler, has gone out of the business, and will take charge of Henry Bishop's farm of 180 acres six miles east of Decatur, in a few weeks.

A. J. Norris, a deaf mute from near Huntsville, Alabama, was in Decatur today rolling bolts at 25 cents each. Each chart gives instructions how to "talk with the hands."

The marriage of Miss Anna Kramer and Mr. George Hardy will take place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Kramer, on North Main street, on Thursday evening, Jan. 19th, at 8:30 o'clock. The cards are out.

Patti, as our local manager would ejaculate, "brought on big" at St. Louis last week. She left for New Orleans Saturday night, and will be one of the big attractions at Cincinnati during the May festival.

John C. Dupee, the patent right solicitor and mechanical draftsman, with H. W. Hill & Co., has sent out a highly illustrated and profusely illustrated circular advertising his business. John has about all he can tackle in the patent line, and is an artist with the pencil.

The funeral of the late Charlie F. Chapman took place on Sunday from the residence of his mother, Mrs. Ellen Chapman, on East Eldorado street, in the presence of a large assembly of sympathizing friends of the family. The services were conducted by the Rev. W. H. Muegrove, of Stapp's Chapel, and the pall bearers were Messrs. Walter Baker, Ernest Shoemaker, Ed. Haworth, Will Shibley, Will Myers and George Jackson.

A Busy Place.

The other day the writer paid the Decatur Linsced Oil Mill a short visit and found everything in ship-shape order and booming. The proprietor, Mr. B. Z. Taylor, was in, and so was his office clerk, Mr. Will O. Taylor, who talked rapidly on oil and its uses. The mill is now running night and day, turning out 700 gallons of oil every 24 hours. Mr. Taylor has 60,000 bushels of seed on hand, and will cease operations temporarily about the last of February. Raw oil is now worth 63 cents per gallon, and boiled oil 68 cents.

Tarr simple and last regulator of the disordered liver in the world, are Carter's Little Liver Pills. They give prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, etc. Prevent and cure Constipation and Piles; remove Sallowiness and Pimples from the complexion, and are mild and gentle in their operation on the bowels. Carter's Little Liver Pills are small and as easy to take as sugar. One pill a dose. Price 25 cents. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen. 10

For Sale.

"Christie & Barnes" abstract books. As executor of the will of Wm. Cantrell, deceased, I will sell the above abstracts to property in Macon county, at public sale of personal property belonging to said estate. Sale to take place at the late residence of said Cantrell on Saturday, Jan. 21, 1882. MICHAEL EASON, Ex'r. Jan. 9-dit

E. B. Pratt.

Will buy horses for the Eastern market at his place of business, 37 North Church street, Decatur, Ill., from Jan. 18th to 25th inclusive, good fat, well-banded carriage and draft teams, and good, well-banded single drivers, weighing from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds each, for which fair prices in cash will be paid. Jan 13-dit

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Butter, per bushel	1.40
Butter, per pound	25 to 28
Eggs, per dozen	20 to 25
Chicken, per bushel	1.00
Cabbage, per head	15 to 25
Sugar, per pound	9 to 10
Coffee, "	15 to 25
Tea, "	40 to 1.00
Bacon sides, per pound	15
Bacon, fresh	14 to 15
Hams, per pound	15 to 16
Dried beef, per pound	15 to 20
Apples, per bushel	1.50 to 2.00
Onions, per bushel	2.00
Sweet potatoes, per bushel	1.50 to 2.00

COAL.

Hard coal, per ton	\$5.50 to \$6.00
Soft coal, per ton	\$3.50 to \$4.00
Decatur " "	\$3.00

PAYING PRICE.

Wheat, per bushel	\$1.25
Corn, " "	55 to 60
Oats, " "	40 to 45
Hay, prairie, per ton	10 to 12
Cumbersome, " "	15 to 18
Baled hay, " "	18 to 20

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

The following quotations at McWhorter & Bell's Commission Rooms, at 1 p. m. To-day.

Chicago, January 16.

Wheat—January	\$1.25 1/2
March	1.25 1/2
May	1.25 1/2
June	1.25 1/2
July	1.25 1/2
August	1.25 1/2
September	1.25 1/2
October	1.25 1/2
November	1.25 1/2
December	1.25 1/2

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November	1.25 1/2
December	1.25 1/2

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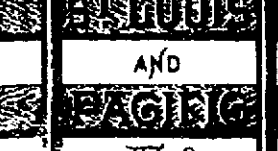
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" " Lightnin' Express .....	12:00
" " Sunset Accommodation .....	4:30

\* The following freight trains will passengers with tickets:

Going East .....	1:15
Going West .....	4:05

### GOING WEST.

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" " Jacksonville Accommodation .....	5:30
" " Fast Mail .....	8:45
" " Through Express .....	1:30

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